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May 15, 2002

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT

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Mr. Paul Lamoreaux
Alpine Gem and Minerals
195 North 200 East
P.O. Box 610
Parowan, Utah 84761

Re: Compliance Notification, Alpine Gem and Minerals, Butler Valley Mine, S/025/016, Kane County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lamoreaux:

On June 13, 2001, the Division sent you a Notice of Non-Compliance & Division Directive because your Butler Valley alabaster quarry had exceeded five acres of surface disturbance. A conference call was made on June 26, 2001 to discuss resolution of the Non-Compliance Notice. You agreed to reclaim and seed enough area by November 1, 2001, to bring the amount of surface disturbance below five acres to maintain your small mining status. Unforeseen weather, medical and mechanical problems prevented you from completing the reclamation work on time. On January 24, 2002, a second Division Directive was sent to you requiring that the reclamation work be accomplished within 30 days of receipt of the letter.

On February 26, 2002, you sent us a fax of the proposed seedmix and stated that you would have the area regraded and reseeded by the end of March 2002. On April 3, 2002, the Division inspected the Butler Valley project area disturbances and determined that the Non-Compliance Notice and Division Directive had been satisfied. Currently, only 2.68 acres of disturbed area remains unreclaimed. The success of the spring seeding efforts will be evaluated this fall to determine if the reclaimed areas is adequate or if it will need to be reseeded. If so, some additional mechanical ripping of the surface may be required to enhance the reseeding success.

Thank you for performing the required reclamation work. Please keep us advised of any future expansion plans or additional reclamation activities proposed for this site. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (801)538-5286, or Tom Munson at 538-5321.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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Attachment: 4-3-02 inspection memo

cc: Doug Powell, BLM-Kanab w/attachment

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
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May 1, 2002

TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tom Munson, Reclamation Specialist 

RE: Site Inspection, Paul Lamaroux's Alabaster Quarry, Bulter Valley and Red Ace Project, S/025/016, Kane County, Utah

Date of Inspection: 4/03/2002
Time of Inspection: 9AM-1PM
Conditions: Sunny
Participants: Tom Munson, DOGM and Paul Lamaroux

Purpose of Inspection:

The purpose of the inspection was to verify that regrading and seeding had occurred sufficiently to bring the site below five acres and have Mr. Lamaroux retain his Small Mine Status.

Getting to the site:

Access to the site is through Tropic, Utah driving south into the monument until you get to the Grovenor's Arch(State Park) turnoff.

Observations:

The first part of this memo will talk about the Red Ace part of Lamaroux's Project located in T39S, R1E, Section 36.

Red Ace

The individual sites related to reclamation treatments were GPS'ed. Since Mr. Lamaroux was trying to regrade and reseed areas within the total disturbance, it is necessary to refer to the attached map which shows what area will be considered regraded and reseeded versus the total disturbance. The total disturbance at this site is 2.59 acres. Of this disturbance approximately 1.53 acres qualifies for the reseeding and regrading exemption, leaving a total of 1.06 acres remaining actively disturbed. Some of the regraded and reseeded areas were still compacted. This compaction combined with the poor time of year for reseeding means reclamation success may be limited. Therefore, it is highly likely that portions of these areas will need to be ripped and reseeded in the fall.

Butler Valley

BLM OKED

The individual sites related to reclamation treatments were GPS'ed. Since Mr. Lamaroux was trying to regrade and reseed areas within the total disturbance, it is necessary to refer to the attached map which shows what area will be considered regraded and reseeded versus the total disturbance. Two access roads remain which are not considered disturbance, and two disturbed areas. Therefore, total remaining disturbance amounts to 1.62 acres of mining related disturbance. Some of the regraded and reseeded areas were still compacted. Combined with the poor time of year for reseeding, reclamation success for these areas may be limited. Therefore, it is highly likely that portions of these areas will need to be ripped and reseeded in the fall.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

The total disturbance between the two sites left unreclaimed is 2.68 acres. It will be necessary to determine the success or failure of this reseeding and regrading work before any releases are made. It may be necessary to reseed and rip any area that is not considered successfully reclaimed this fall.

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Attachments: (Maps of Bulter Valley Quarry and the Red Ace Project)

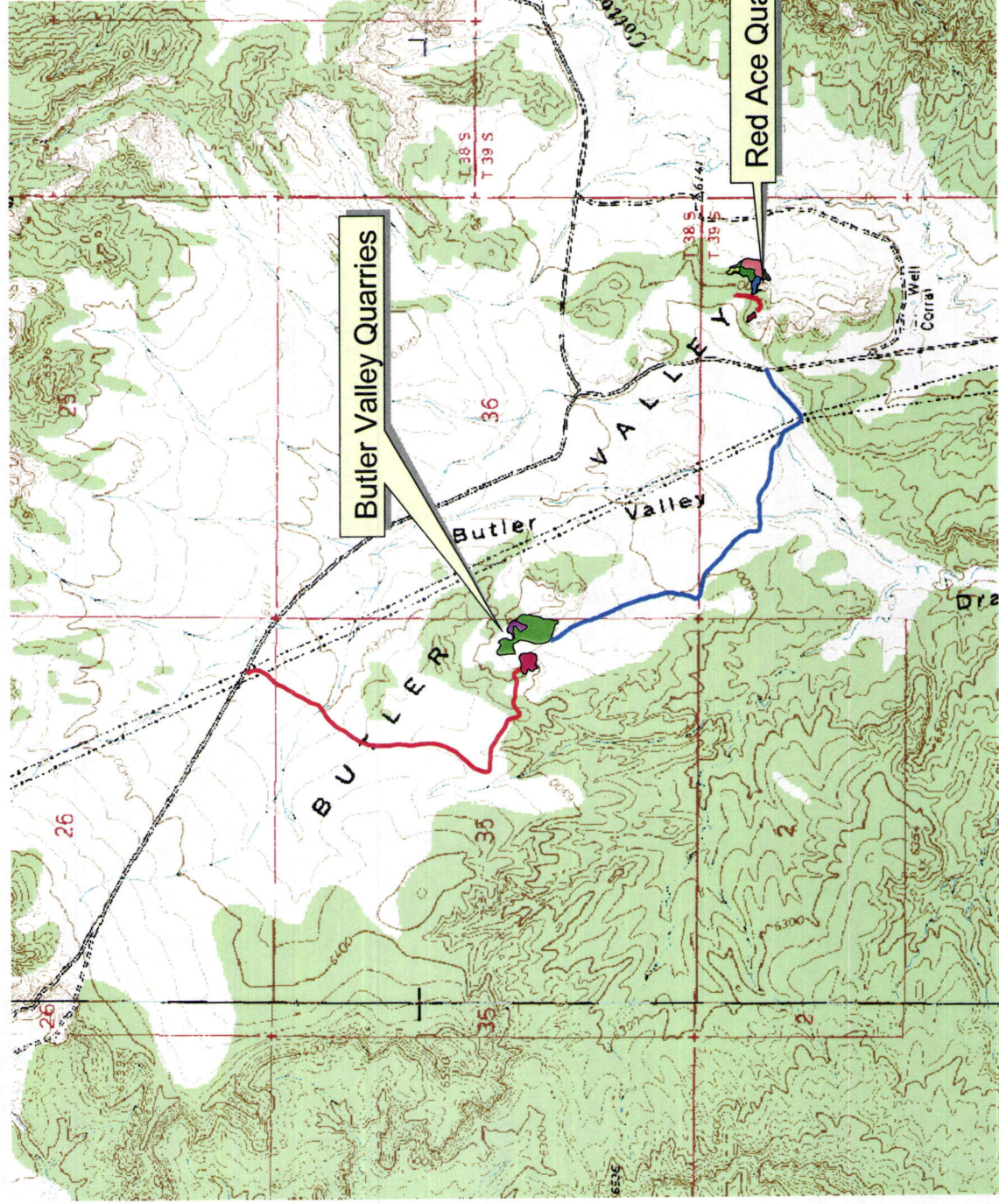
cc: Doug Powell, BLM-Kanab

Paul Lamaroux, Alpine Gems & Minerals

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Red Ace and Butler Valley Quarries

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- Regraded and reseeded area - .32 acres
- Regraded and reseeded area - 1.0 acres
- Regraded and reseeded area - .21 acres
- BLM ROAD - 5,580 feet long
- BLM ROAD - 5,017 feet long
- Disturbed Area - 1.05 acres
- Disturbed Area - .57 acres
- Regraded and reseeded area - 4.66 acres

Butler Valley Quarries
NE of SE 1/4 SEC 35
NW of SW 1/4 of SEC 36
T 38 S, R 1 E
Red Ace Quarries
NE of NE 1/4 of SEC 1
T 39 S, R 1 E

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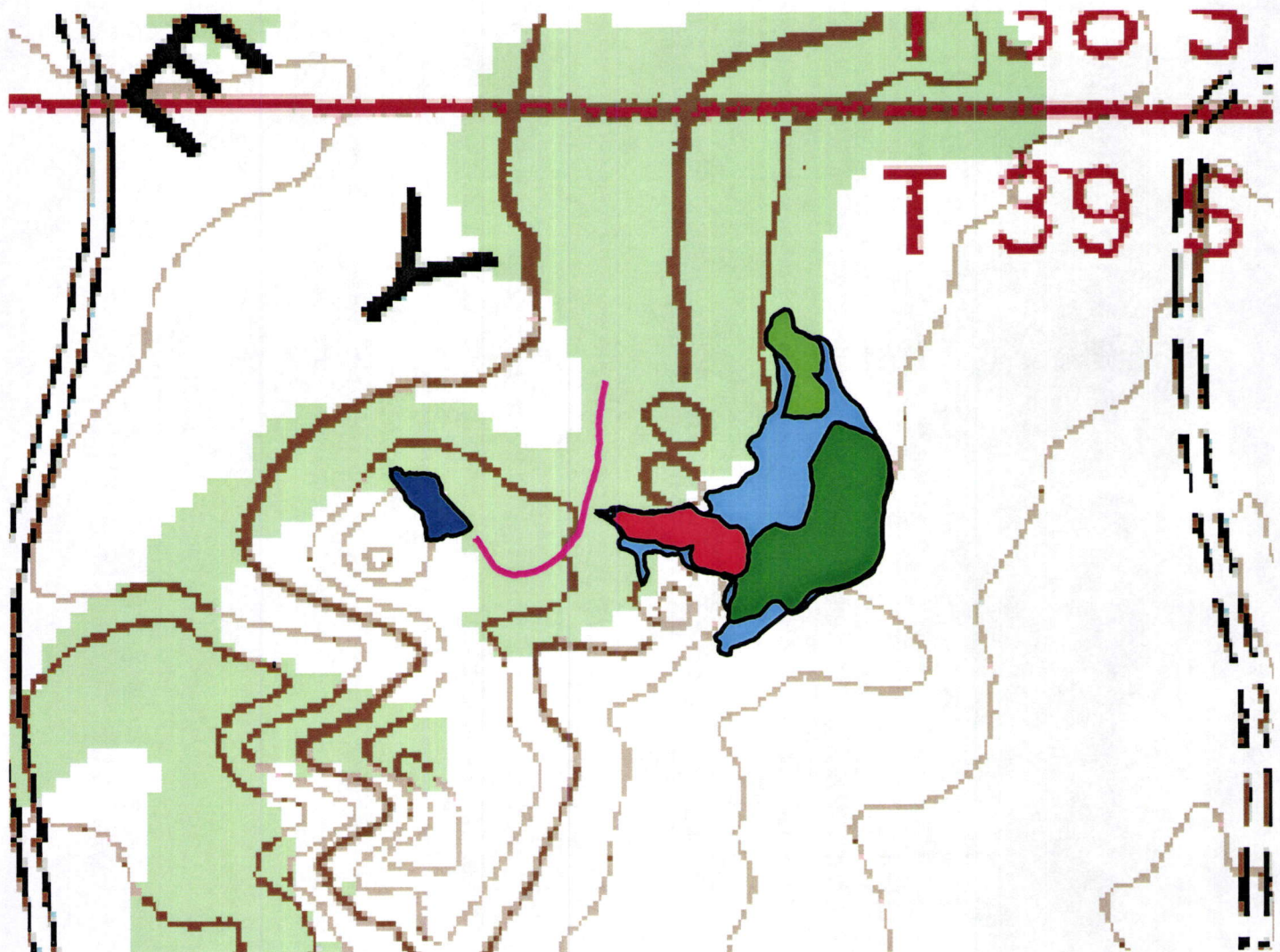
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Paul LaMaroux's Red Ace Quarry

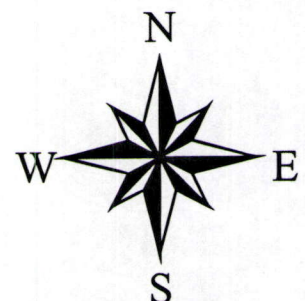
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300 0 300 600 Feet

- Regraded and reseeded area-.32 acres
- Regraded and reseeded area - 1.0 acre
- Regraded and reseeded area - .21 acres
- Disturbed area road - 468 ' long
- Disturbed Area not reclaimed - .16 acres
- Disturbed area boundary - 2.33 acres

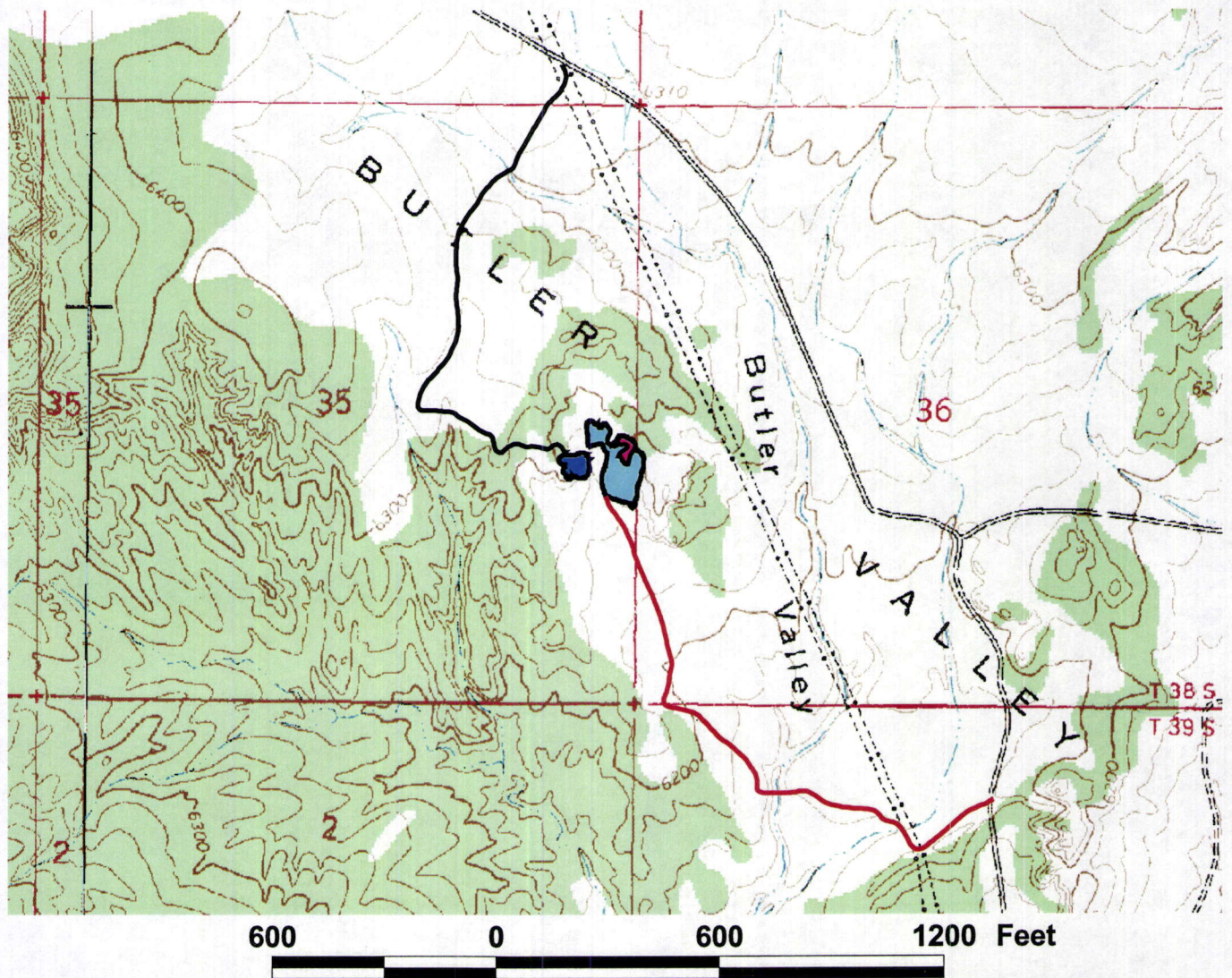
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Butler Valley Quadrangle(Q3920)








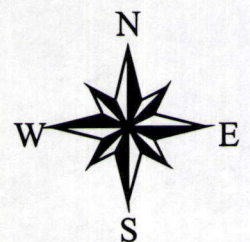
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Paul Lamaroux's Bulter Valley Quarry

S/025/016



-  5,017 feet of access road
-  5,580 feet of access road
-  Disturbed area-1.05acres
-  Disturbed Area - .57 acres
-  Regraded and Reseeded Area-4.66 acres



Inspection by Tom Munson on 4/03/2002
USGS Quad Map: Bulter Valley & Slickrock Bench

Location:
T38 S, R1E, Section 26, 35, and 36
T39 S, R1E, Section 1

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